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To Aquatic Noxious Weed and Aquatic Nuisance Plant and Algae Permittees:

Notice of Change of Adjuvants

This is a minor permit modification for permit no. WAG-994000, Aquatic Nuisance Plant and Algae Control NPDES General Permit; and permit no. WAG-993000, Aquatic Noxious Weed Control NPDES General Permit regarding the conditions for use of the adjuvant X-77.

Due to the registrants' removal of the adjuvant X-77 from aquatic use in Washington State, X-77 will no longer be permitted for use under the above named NPDES permits. In addition, the Washington State Department of Agriculture has registered the following five spray adjuvants for use on aquatic sites: Agri-DexTM, Class Act Next GenerationTM, CompetitorTM, Dyne-AmicTM, and KineticTM.

Given the Department of Agriculture's registration of these spray adjuvants for use on aquatic sites in Washington State, the Department of Ecology is including them in the permits listed above. These products are available for use starting during the 2004 treatment season.

These spray adjuvants have no additional restrictions for use other than adhering to the label requirements and restrictions.

A link to information about these five spray adjuvants can be found on our website at: http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/wq/pesticides/final_pesticide_permits/noxious/noxious_index.html under the heading "Imazapyr Herbicide Review Documents."

Please contact Kathleen Emmett of my staff at (360)407-6478 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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